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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND</u> RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Applicant provides the following election and remarks in response to the Office Action Restriction Requirement (the "Restriction Requirement") mailed January 11, 2008, in the above-captioned application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully petitions for a two (2) month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period within which to file a response up to and including April 11, 2008. Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extension of time. Applicant hereby authorizes the Director to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0206 in the amount of \$230.00 for the two (2) month extension of time fee according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) at the small entity rates.

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It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of this response, but should any additional fees be necessary, the Director is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0206. In the event of any variance between the amount enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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